RESOLUTION NO. 2021- 2 CLAPORTE COUNTY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has forced many school districts to replace in-person classroom instruction with virtual instruction, and

WHEREAS, virtual instruction is no substitute for in-person classroom instruction, and

WHEREAS, certified school staff, teachers and support staff should be identified as critical because of the vital role they play in the education and development of our state's children; and

WHEREAS, vaccinating certified school staff, teachers and school support staff must not take away any vaccine supply from other critical workers and individuals, and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that we return students to in-person, instruction as quickly and safely as possible while providing a safe environmental for our certified school staff, teachers and school support staff.

WHEREAS, this body has worked closely with the LaPorte County Commissioners and the LaPorte County Health Department to ramp up a vaccination clinic at the LaPorte County Fairgrounds, and has provided weekly conference calls to enhance collaboration and cooperation among all stakeholders in our county as we collectively seek to battle this pandemic.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAPORTE COUNTY COUNCIL THAT:

We ask our local legislators to prevail on the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) to place school employees in the Phase 1A vaccination group; and

In the absence of a move of such employees into such group, ensure that all school employees are place on call lists for surplus vaccines on hand at Covid 19, Phase 1A vaccination clinics.

All of which is resolved this ____ day of February 22, 2021

LAPORTE COUNTY COUNCIL

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